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Ca. 1840

Clara Harner Farm

Emmitsburg vicinity

Private

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery Counties,  
and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870  
Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning  
Agriculture

Resource Type:  
Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse, wash house, garage, shed  
Agricultural/Subsistence/agricultural outbuilding/barn, corncrib,  
hog house

Known Design Source: None

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. F-6-74

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Clara Harner Farm

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 14702 Sixes Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Emmitsburg ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Maryland

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mrs. Clara A. Harner

street & number 14702 Sixes Road telephone no.:

city, town Emmitsburg state and zip code MD 21727

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 462

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 353

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

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**Condition**

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

**Check one**

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

**Check one**

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

(Typed on separate sheet)

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Atlas of Frederick County, Maryland, C.O. Titus and Co., Philadelphia, 1873.

Map of Frederick County, Maryland, Isaac Bond, Baltimore, 1858.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 103.89 acres

Quadrangle name Emmitsburg, MD Quadrangle

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax Map 21, Parcel 18

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date June, 1991

street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958

city or town Frederick state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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### 7.1 Description:

The Clara Harner Farm is located on Sixes Road several feet south of Toms Creek in the vicinity of Emmitsburg, Maryland. The principal elevation of the dwelling house faces south. Several domestic and agricultural outbuildings include a wash house, a smokehouse, a bank barn and a corn crib.

Constructed circa 1840, the two story dwelling house is of log construction, sheathed in german siding. The gable roof is covered in corrugated tin and has one interior end brick chimney and one exterior end concrete chimney. There is a cornice return on the gable ends. The house rests on a stone foundation.

The south elevation has a symmetrical 3 bay facade. The center door has a 2 light transom. Windows are 6/6 on both floors. A one story open porch covers the entry bay. It has a shed roof with spoked bracketing and square columns. The north elevation is 3 bays wide with 6/6 and 6/1 windows. The west elevation has a 6/6 window on the first floor and a 4 light fixed attic window. The east elevation is 2 bays wide with 6/6 windows. There is a side door on the first floor. The attic has a 6 light window.

Two domestic buildings are located several feet to the east of the house. A one story wash house is banked into the hill with a stone foundation and is sheathed in german siding. The gable roof of standing seam tin runs east to west. A one story smokehouse is of stone and frame construction. The gable roof is covered in corrugated tin.

A bank barn is located to the south of the house. It has large stone quoining on its stone base. The upper level is vertical sided with sliding doors in the banked portion. The cornice has a carved decoration, and there is venting underneath it. The interior shows typical framing of late nineteenth century barns. A date of 1877 with the initials W.L.A. is carved in the interior.

A number of sheds are situated around the house and the barn. Two peacock sheds are sheathed in weatherboard and supported on cinderblocks. A shed and corncrib has vertical siding and a corrugated tin roof. A shed that functioned as a hog house also has vertical siding and a corrugated tin shed roof.

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### 8.1 Significance:

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The farm compares favorably to other properties of its type within historic context. It has retained a high degree of its original fabric and a number of representative outbuildings. It provides good examples of a mid-nineteenth century domestic log farmhouse and a late nineteenth century barn.

In 1858, D. Pool owned the farm. By 1873, G. Devilbiss resided there. The present owner, Clara Harner, has lived at the property since 1950.

# DIST. No. 3

*Scale 1 1/2 inches to the mile*

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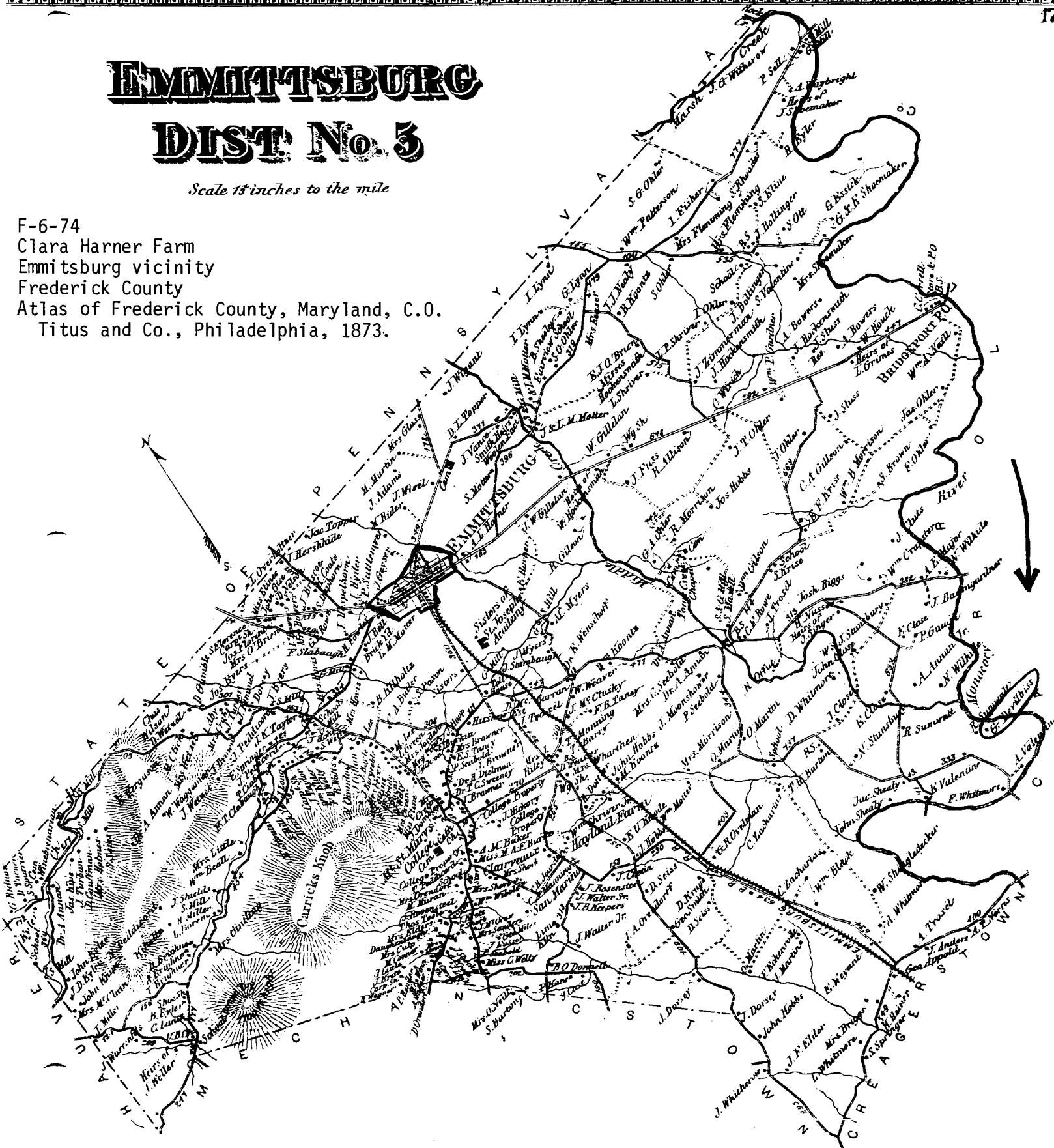
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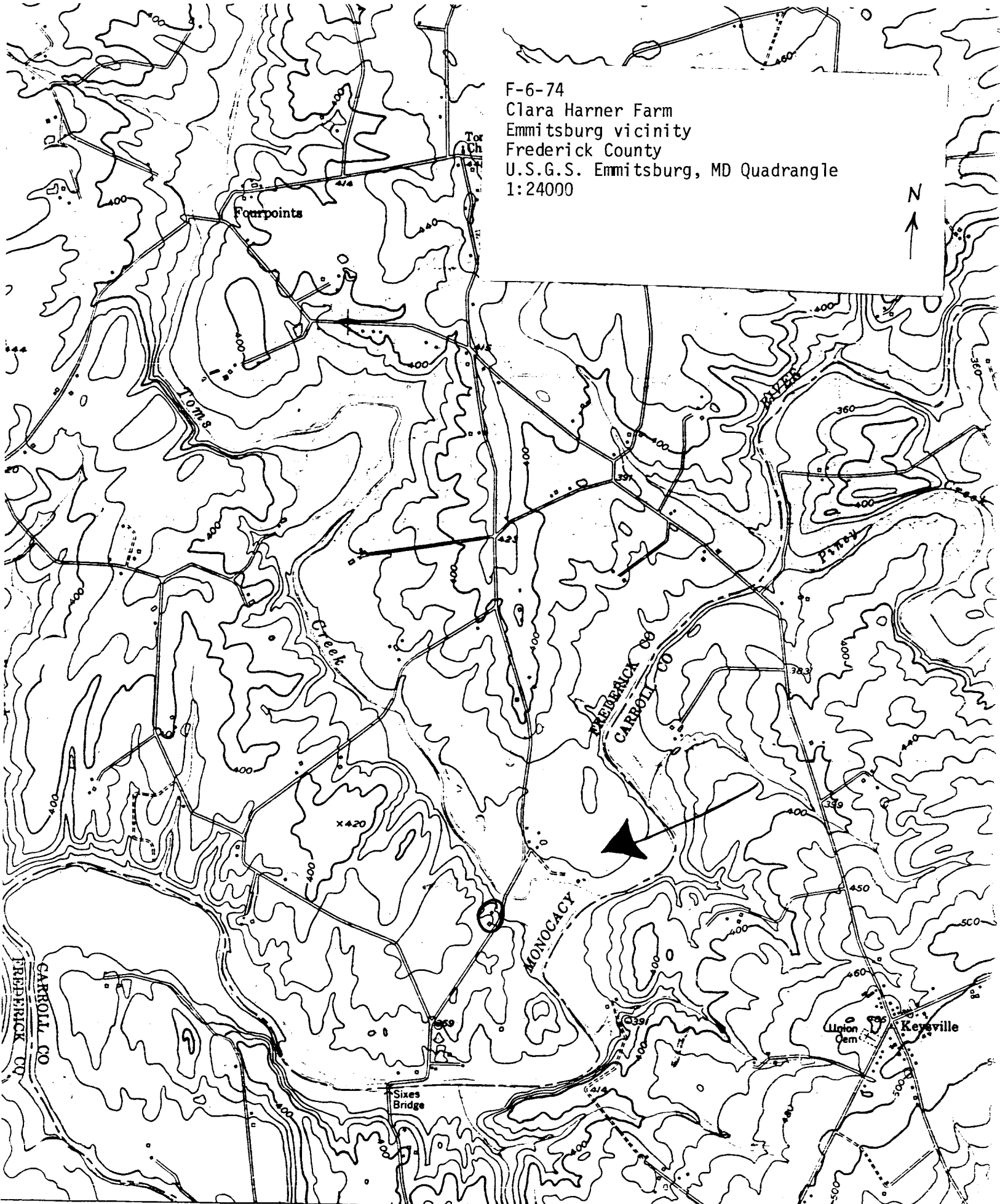
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 U.S.G.S. Emmitsburg, MD Quadrangle  
 1:24000



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 WOODSBORO 7 MI.

1 MILE

4000 5000 6000 7000 FEET

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty 4 LANE 6 LANE Light-duty



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Southeast elevation

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northeast corner view

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Domestic Outbuildings

3/4



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Bank Barn - northwest corner view

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